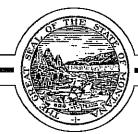
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Montana Board of Land Commissioners
Department of Natural Resources & Conservation
Trust Land Management Division
P.O. Box 201601
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Subject: Purchase of 1.43 acre parcel know as the MacDonald

Property

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is to request approval to purchase a 1.43 acre parcel of land located immediately adjacent to and east of the Fort Harrision's main entry gate.

The purpose of the purchase is to relocate the entry gate to alleviate the traffic hazard at the corner of Williams Street and Country Club Ave, and to create an entry that more effectively meets the anti-terrorism standards required by the National Guard.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ralph A. DeCunzo

Deputy CFMO

Land Board Agenda Item May 21, 2007

Approval to Purchase the MacDonald Property by the Department of Military Affairs

Proposal:

Montana Department of Military Affairs (DMA) proposes to purchase a 1.43 acre parcel of land (non-trust) adjacent to Fort Harrison to be used for the relocation of the entry gate.

History:

Fort Harrison has redesigned the main entry gate to accommodate current terrorism standards and to alleviate the traffic hazards that exist at Country Club Ave. and Williams Street. The purchase of the MacDonald property along with the purchase of the Artisan Park property will allow DMA to accommodate this redesign.

Appraised Value: \$146,000

Purchase Price: \$142,000

Environmental Site Assessment:

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment was completed. There were no issues of concern located on or adjacent to the site.

Process:

The DMA has completed an Environmental Baseline Report and has provided a 14 day public notification period. No public comment was received.

Agency Recommendation:

DMA requests approval to purchase this property.

